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**CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA) REQUEST TRANSMITTAL
UNDER 37 CFR §1.53(d)**

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application under 37 CFR §1.53(d) (continued prosecution application) of prior pending application
No. 09/336,401, filed on June 18, 1999, entitled POST-PLASMA PROCESSING WAFER CLEANING
METHOD AND SYSTEM.

PLEASE NOTE:

- THIS APPLICATION ABANDONS THE PARENT APPLICATION
- MAY NOT BE USED WHEN THE PARENT IS A PROVISIONAL
- PARENT MUST BE FILED ON OR AFTER JUNE 8, 1995
- NO REFERENCE TO PRIOR APPLICATION IN CPA PERMITTED

1. ☐ Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on _____ under 37 CFR 1.116 in
the prior nonprovisional application.

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2. ☒ A preliminary amendment will be submitted shortly.

3. ☐ This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 CFR
1.53(d)(4). DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:

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4. ☐ A new power of attorney or authorization of agent (PTO/SB/) is enclosed.

5. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed.

a. ☐ PTO-1449

b. ☐ Copies of IDS Citations

Fee Calculation (37 CFR § 1.16)

	(Col. 1) NO. FILED	(Col. 2) NO. EXTRA	SMALL ENTITY RATE FEE	OR	LARGE ENTITY RATE FEE
BASIC FEE			\$370 \$	OR	\$740 \$740.00
TOTAL CLAIMS	<u>22</u> -20 = <u>02</u>		x09 = \$	OR	x18 = \$ 36.00
INDEP CLAIMS	<u>03</u> -03 = <u>00</u>		x42 = \$	OR	x84 = \$
[] Multiple Dependent Claim Presented			140 = \$	OR	280 = \$
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7. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit overpayments or any deficiency in fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. LAM1P109). A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.

8. ☐ Request for Small Entity Status

☐ Applicant is entitled to small entity status.

9. General Authorization for Petition for Extension of Time (37 CFR § 1.136)

☒ Applicants hereby make and generally authorize any Petitions for Extensions of Time as may be needed for any subsequent filings. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any extension fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 as may be needed to Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. LAM1P109).

10. ☒ Check No. 6122 in the amount of \$1,176.00 for the filing fee and the extension fee is enclosed.

11. ☐ Suspension of Prosecution for the time necessary to file an amendment is requested.

12. ☒ Applicants request a two-month extension of time in the prior application (Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal on July 27, 2001).

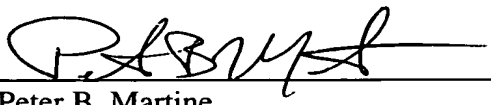
13. ☐ A Conditional Extension of Time in the prior application is requested.

14. ☐ Other:

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